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Dacer-Corbito case: Ex-cop back to testify

By Marlon Ramos, Norman Bordadora and Jerome Aning

A FUGITIVE FORMER POLICEMAN linked to an 8-year-old double murder was flown back to the Philippines under heavy guard yesterday, and justice officials hours later said they had ordered him, Reynaldo Lacson, to answer allegations linking him to the killings.

"Like a jigsaw puzzle, we are putting one by one the pieces together," Justice Undersecretary Ricardo Blancaflor said

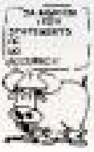
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Before Sona were Soka, Sorna, Sopia and Socga

By Frank Cimatu
Contributor



BEFORE THE SONA, there were the Soka, Sorna, Sopia and Socga.

The earliest form of what Filipinos know today as the State of the

BEFORE A11

'Just tell truth in Sona'

President urged to talk about accomplishments, mistakes

GMA'S NET PERFORMANCE AND NET TRUST RATINGS (March 2001 - May/June 2009)



SOURCE: SWS, PULSE ASIA

By Norman Bordadora, Tonette Orejas and Chito Fuentes

MANILA ARCHBISHOP Gaudencio Cardinal Rosales yesterday asked President Macapagal-Arroyo to tell the true state of the nation when she delivers her address before a joint session of Congress this afternoon.

Rosales said Ms Arroyo should tell the truth not only about her accomplishments but also about her mistakes as her term ends next year, the CBCP news website reported yesterday.

"She (has) also done something good, and people will not take it against her if she mentions them," Rosales was quoted as saying.

"Next year will be different, that's why she has to tell what is true—that's what people want to hear," he added.

University of the Philippines professor Randy David and Sen. Francis Escudero also urged Ms Arroyo to tell the people the real score in her State of the Nation Address (Sona), her ninth since she took power in 2001.

"But perhaps, the usual boasting will be done again," David said, calling on Filipinos to scrutinize Ms Arroyo's supposed achievements on the economic front.

Press Secretary Cerge Remonde, however, said Ms Arroyo was a victim of a "vicious"

SAY A8

Performance, trust ratings: It's downhill after 2004

By Minerva Generalao and Kate Pedroso
Inquirer Research

DIFFERENT SURVEYS TELL THE same story of continued public dissatisfaction with and distrust in President Macapagal-Arroyo.

Whether it's the Social Weather Stations surveys, which ask a respondent whether he or she is satisfied with the performance of the President, or Pulse Asia Inc. opinion polls, which ask whether one approves of her performance, the results show that Ms Arroyo's performance ratings have deteriorated so much over the past eight years.

Results of the surveys conducted by the two outfits also showed her markedly lower trust ratings.

"She has been the least popular of the four Presidents in the two decades since opinion polls have been regularly published," SWS president Mahar Mangahas said in his 2006 report before the World Association for Public Opinion Research.

Mangahas also said Ms Arroyo had set record-lows and had been by far the only President to have scored negative net satisfaction ratings.

The net satisfaction ratings—the difference between those who are satisfied and those who are dissatisfied—have been negative since October 2004, he said.

Asked about the biggest factor that contributed to the decline, Ana Maria Tabunda, chief research fellow of Pulse Asia,

PERFORMANCE A22

9 YEARS OF GMA: A REVIEW

Scandals without closure overshadow achievements

By Juliet Labog-Javellana

IF THE ARROYO ADMINISTRATION were to be described, a question mark would not be off the mark.

Two prominent political scientists said the unresolved scandals that dogged President Macapagal-Arroyo's eight years in office had left "question marks all over" about her legitimacy and integrity and hampered her effectiveness as a hardworking chief executive.

Clarita Carlos, who teaches at the University of the Philippines, conceded positive scores for Ms Arroyo in agriculture, health, education, in protecting overseas Filipino workers, and even in steering the economy amid the global recession.

But Felipe Miranda, chair of the survey group Pulse Asia, believed Ms Arroyo would go down with a "largely negative assessment" as the "most distrusted" Philippine president on record.

The two academicians agreed the scandals overshadowed Ms Arroyo's accomplishments.

"To be fair, I think a dispassionate assessment would tell us that she is one of the most hardworking, if not the most

SCANDALS A22

Editor's Note

ON THE OCCASION OF THE ostensibly final State of the Nation Address of President Macapagal-Arroyo on July 27, the Inquirer presents this review of her governance which runs into its ninth year by the time she steps down from office next year, the longest-serving Filipino leader next to Ferdinand Marcos. The judgment of history is still out. So, call the Inquirer series—which covers the economy, peace and order, human rights, justice system, education, health and environment—the first draft of that history.

Environment suffered badly, say critics

By Philip C. Tubeza

ENVIRONMENTALIST JESUS Nicanor "Nicky" Perlas III says he remembers the day in mid-2001 when it all started to go downhill for the environment under the Arroyo administration.

President Macapagal-Arroyo was presiding over a meeting in Malacañang of the Philippine Council for Sustainable Development when she dropped a "bombshell."

"She said she thought the pursuit of sustainable development was antipoor," Perlas said of Ms Arroyo's remarks to the multisectoral group created under the Ramos administration to ensure that development did not damage the environment.

Perlas, a recipient of the United Nations' Earth Warrior Award who has announced plans to run for president next year, said he thought Ms Arroyo was giving priority to antipoverty initiatives over ecological balance.

The President's statement shocked civil society leaders and was a portent of things to come, said Perlas, who actively participated in the Edsa II people power revolt that catapulted Ms Arroyo to power in 2001.

"Obviously, she was misinformed because the environment is the source of life, clean

ENVIRONMENT A11



MASS FOR CORY Former President Joseph Estrada listens to the homily of Fr. Enrique Santos during a Mass held for former President Corazon Aquino, who is battling colon cancer, at the Sto. Niño Parish Church in Tondo, Manila. (See story on Page A3)

GMA must declare she's stepping down next year

By Amando Doronila

ANALYSIS

PRESIDENT MACAPAGAL-ARROYO delivers her valedictory State of the Nation Address (Sona) today amid signs the country is disturbed by uncertainty over whether she is presiding over the orderly liquidation of her nine-year presidency or plotting to prolong her term with unconstitutional schemes.

During the past five years, the Arroyo administration has been plagued by at least three military rebellions or coup attempts and three impeachment bids, which threatened its survival.

Today, there's widespread concern that it is constitutional

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Show proof Fil-Am a reb, Palparan told

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (CHR) Chair Leila de Lima said over the weekend that she will order retired Gen. Jovito Palparan to produce the photos and video that allegedly show that Filipino-American Melissa Roxas is a communist rebel, stressing however, that the activist's political affiliation was irrelevant to her torture complaint.

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Cory condition unchanged; Erap leads prayers

By Philip C. Tubeza and Fe Zamora

FORMER PRESIDENT CORAZON Aquino's medical condition remained unchanged yesterday as relatives, friends and media kept up a vigil at the Makati Medical Center.

"She's asleep. Her condition was like [Saturday's]. It hasn't changed," said Sen. Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III as he left the hospital around noon yesterday.

"There is change [illegible]. Sorry," he said as he left the hospital with several aides.

When the Inquirer went up to the ninth floor—where Aquino is confined—at around 11 a.m., security was tight and the atmosphere was subdued.

Outside the chapel near the former president's room, an elderly woman prayed silently before a large framed picture of the Virgin Mary.

Outside the hospital, people continued to tie yellow ribbons around trees and electric posts. The entrance to the hospital was draped in yellow streamers.

'Most loved'

Former President Joseph Estrada yesterday led thousands of Manila residents in prayer for the healing of Aquino, whom he described as "the most loved woman president of the Philippines."

"She is not only most loved, she is also most respected for all the good things she has done for us," Estrada said after Mass at the Sto. Niño Church in Tondo, Manila.

It will be recalled that Aquino apologized to Estrada some time ago for supporting the people power revolt that ousted the latter and brought President Macapagal-Arroyo to power.

With Estrada were former Senators Loi Ejercito and Ernesto Maceda.

Some of the churchgoers wore yellow and had tied yellow ribbons around their wrists and arms.

Yellow ribbons fluttered from trees and electric posts around the church. Street vendors tied yellow ribbons around their heads, a throwback to the "yellow fever" that swept the country following the assassination of Aquino's husband, Sen. Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino Jr., on Aug. 21, 1983.

The yellow protests culminated in the ouster of the dictator Ferdinand Marcos in February 1986, and the ascendancy of Corazon Aquino as the first woman president of the republic.

Aquino, now 76, has been battling colon cancer since March 2008.

Her condition has not improved since last month when she was confined at Makati Medical Center for general weakness and loss of appetite.

More healing Masses

Her son-in-law, Eldon Cruz, had told the press that Aquino was "OK but in pain."

Her long-time secretary, Margie Juico, said the former president was undergoing pain management "which keeps her asleep most of the time."

Starting today, healing Masses for Aquino will be said at 12:15 p.m. until Friday in the open-air chapel at Greenbelt 3 in Makati City. The Masses are hosted by the Makati Business Club.

Prayers from Bacolod

People in Bacolod City are also praying for Aquino.

Negrenses tied yellow ribbons on trees and posts at the Carmelite Monastery in Barangay Mandalagan which she never failed to visit during trips to Negros Occidental as president and later as a private citizen.

Along the path leading to the monastery, yellow ribbons and yellow flowers greeted some 500 churchgoers Saturday afternoon who offered a Mass for Aquino.

Attending the Mass were former Negros Occidental governors Daniel Lacson Jr. and Rafael Coscolluela, Judy Araneta Roxas, and Annie Yap, mother of Negrense basketball star James Yap, who is married to Aquino's daughter, Kris.

"Cory has suffered so much all her life. What she needs is to be at peace with the Lord. I think that's what she really wants," said Lacson, who was appointed governor of Negros Occidental by President Aquino in 1986.

Coscolluela, another staunch supporter of Aquino, said that if the Lord wanted to take Aquino, he "hopes she will be spared the pain that cancer patients go through. But if God wills she has something more to do on this earth, then we are hoping that she heals."

Roxas said she visited Aquino on Thursday but she was asleep.

"I pray Cory will be eased of her pain," she said. *With reports from [illegible] Andrade and [illegible] in Manila and Carla P. Gomez, Inquirer Visayas*

Gov't, MILF to start talking again in Malaysia

MOA on the agenda

GMA adviser upbeat

Necessary ingredient



CLEANUP AND LIVELIHOOD

DepEd shifts to mother tongue for grade school

By Philip C. Tubeza

Region-specific schemes

Take a stand

Search for 'salvage' victims stopped

Borromeos say thanks

Rebel soldiers recall Oakwood mutiny



MALIGAYANG ANIBERSARYO!

Iglesia ni Cristo:

Pananampalatayang likas na Pilipino,

Simbahang pinanday ng ordinaryong mamamayan.

ISINILANG at umusbong ang Iglesia ni Cristo (INC) sa sinapupunan ng mahihirap na mamamayang Pilipino sa Punta, Santa Ana, Manila noong ika-27 ng Hulyo 1914 – 95 taon ang nakakaraan. At dahil ang INC ay nagmula at pinanday ng ordinaryong mamamayan, mabilis itong lumago at lumawak.

Sa ngayon, sa mahusay na pamumuno ni Ka Felix Manalo at nina Ka Eraño at Eduardo Manalo, mayroon nang milyun-milyong miyembro ang INC, hindi lamang sa Pilipinas kundi sa 90 bansa. Sa kasalukuyan, binubuo ng 102 lahi ng tao, 5400 lokal at 104 na distrito eklesiastiko ang INC.

Ang kapatiran at pananampalatayang Iglesia ni Cristo ay pananampalatayang likas na Pilipino, na ngayon ay laganap na sa buong mundo.

Bilang mga kaibigan at masugid na tagasubaybay ng kasaysayan ng INC, kami po at ang mga mamamayan ng lalawigan ng Cavite ay mainit na bumabati sa malawak na komunidad ng INC ng maligayang anibersaryo.

Sa ika-95 anibersaryo ng INC, kami po ay natutuwa sa pagkilala ng ating pamahalaan sa kahalagahan ng okasyong ito sa pamamagitan ng pagdedeklara na mula ngayon ay magiging pista opisyal ang araw na ito.

Muli po, mainit at maligayang pagbati sa INC.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS ON HOUSING



Delivering Shelter Security, Building a Stronger Housing Sector

With nearly a million families benefiting from various programs on shelter security and affordable home financing, the National Shelter Program has truly flourished under President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo's administration. Behind this achievement is a dynamic housing sector strengthened by key reforms, bold initiatives and revitalized programs.

Redefining Relocations

Giving Pro-Poor Housing a Boost

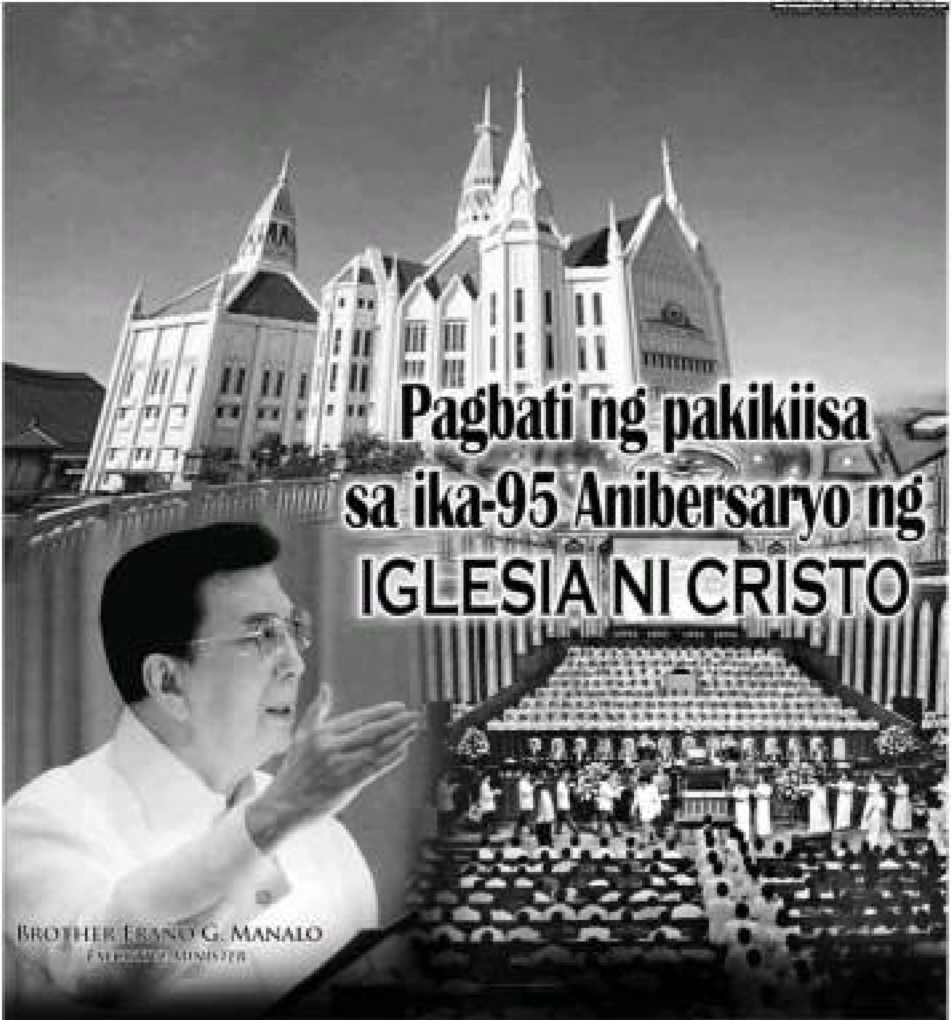
Revitalizing Housing Finance

Ensuring Sustainable Financing

Engaging the Private Sector and Local Governments

Recent Actions

By the Numbers Housing Sector Accomplishments 2001-May 2009









Ang mamamayan ng Lungsod ng Muntinlupa at ang inyo pong lingkod ay taos-pusong nakikiisa sa IGLESIA NI CRISTO sa paggunita ng ika-95 anibersaryo ng kanyang pagkakatatag. Sa loob ng halos 100 taon mula ng ito ay pamahalaan ni Ka Felix Y. Manalo hanggang kay Ka Eraño G. Manalo, ang Iglesia ni Cristo ay naging bahagi na ng ating kasaysayan hindi lamang sa pagtuturo ng mga salita ng Diyos kundi sa iba't-ibang gawaing panlipunan.

Muli, nais naming iparating ang malugod at maligayang pagbati sa lahat ng mga kaanib sa Iglesia ni Cristo sa buong mundo!

ALDRIN L. SAN PEDRO
Mayor, Muntinlupa City







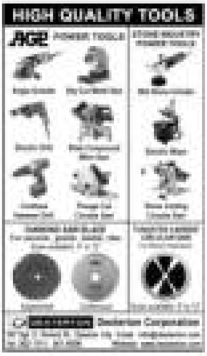
Rains seen during Sona





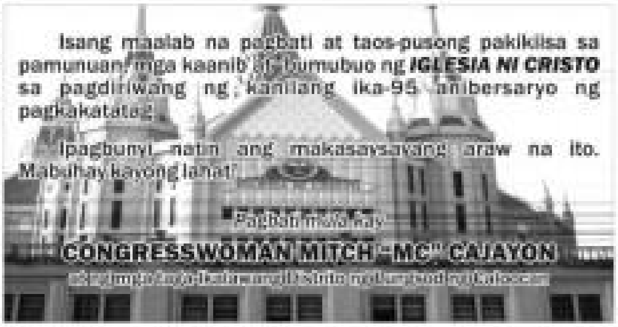
THE DAILY GOSPEL







Junk recount, Panlilio asks SC



Bayani: No room in Lakas for Gibo, Noli and me

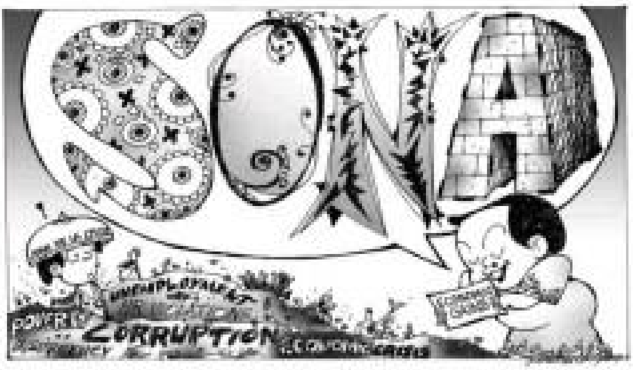




OPINION

The stain that won't wash

EDITORIAL



Construct parking buildings first

AS I SEE IT

Neal H. Cruz

State of grace

THERE'S THE RUB

Conrado de Quiros

The Sta. Ana Jesuit House as historical landmark?

SOUNDING BOARD



Fr. Joaquin G. Bernas, S.J.

Manila City Hall officials may not realize it, but a decision to mark private property as a historical landmark must pass constitutional muster

In my mother's house

KRIS-CROSSING MINDANAO



Antonio J. Montalvan II

Sic transit Gloria

THE LONG VIEW



Manuel L. Quezon III

Grand Old Man of the Philippine Navy

REVEILLE



Ramon J. Farolan

Keep school schedule as is

LETTERS

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Government workers' association Courage exposed by own letter

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Act on 3 more 'deficient' pre-need firms

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Quezon ex-mayor killed in ambush

Homemade explosives found in ship bound for Masbate

LUCENA CITY—A FORMER QUEZON TOWN mayor was killed in an ambush by two still unidentified gunmen inside a Catholic church compound in Candelaria town before noon on Sunday.



NEWSBRIEFS

DAGUPAN CITY

6 restos settle tax debts

Armed cops escort inspectors

BATANGAS CITY

Recruiter nabbed

TAGUM CITY

NPA rebel yields

Reb leader killed in pre-Sona operations

Baguio rebuilding century-old market

By Vincent Cabreza
Inquirer Northern Luzon



BAGUIO City has finally started restoration work on the 101-year-old Baguio public market, the first iconic legacy of the American colonial government which ushers in the summer capital that turns 100 years old on Sept. 1.

BAGUIO CITY—THE CITY government has asked at least 500 vendors to sell their wares along sidewalks in the city market for 40 days so the renovation of Baguio's 101-year-old public market could proceed before the city's centennial celebration on Sept. 1.

The government is rebuilding the market's main sections, which were gutted by fire in 2008 and 2009. A structure that would be erected in these sections is meant to protect the market's stone foundations, market leaders said.

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City market's extension

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Cotabato bombing suspect arrested

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Harrison's message

Environment suffered badly, say critics

Most destructive

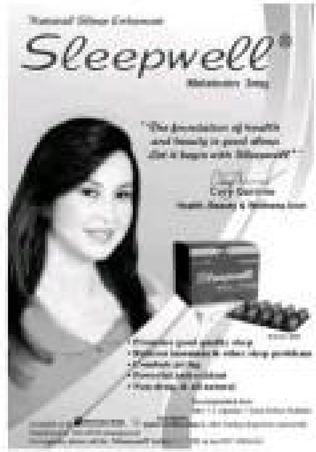
Redefining forest cover

Awareness

Dying Laguna de Bay

Mining industry champion

Disappearing fish catch



Protest rallies today in Metro, provinces

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SONA PROTEST Activists from Southern Tagalog march along Edsa toward the University of the Philippines campus in Diliman, Quezon City, to join today's rally against President Macapagal-Arroyo's State of the Nation Address.

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Calabarzon

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Just tell truth in Sona, President urged

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Learn from failures

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Admit problems

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Spotlight on education

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Drop in malnutrition

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Call for Cha-cha

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Super regions

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In defense of VAT

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GMA must declare she's stepping down next year

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Smooth transition in doubt

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Contrary to opinion surveys

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Devious schemes

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Embarrassing

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History will be better judge of GMA–Enrile



ENRILE: The President did a good job handling the economy

Scandals without closure overshadow achievements

No conclusions

Distrust level sustained

Did Abalos go to jail?

Most serious blow

Premium on personal loyalty

Wasted opportunity

Cash diplomacy

Master strategist

Performance, trust ratings: It's downhill after 2004

Hard to regain trust

From low to 'bad'

Eroded fast

Negative since June 2005

Ups and more downs

Oakwood mutiny, Jose Pidal

Peak

Scandals

Metro Manila most critical

Survey details

Dacer-Corbito case: Ex-cop back to testify



Threats to his life

Mancao efficient

'He'll tell the truth'

PAOCTF colleagues

Dumlao leaves life of solitary confinement

By Marlon Ramos

Making chess players



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Darius Razon loses money to 4 men armed with knives

By [illegible]

FOUR MEN ARMED WITH knives broke into the house of balladeer and Mandaluyong Councilor Darius Razon yesterday morning, taking with them a still undetermined amount of cash.

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AIMING FOR THE RECORD [illegible]

Ex-judge's son killed in blaze

By [illegible]

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Chaos on the streets
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WANTED: COVERED PATHWAY
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MMDA tells motorists: Settle fines

By Nina Catherine Calleja

EFFECTIVELY IMMEDIATELY, MOTORISTS with unpaid traffic fines will not be allowed to renew their driver's license unless they first settle their fines.

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Final notice

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METROBRIEFS

Woman gives cops the slip
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Student kills self
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The WORLD

Zelaya returns to Honduran border

LAS MANOS, NICARAGUA—DEPOSED PRESIDENT Manuel Zelaya returned to the Honduran border on Saturday and announced he would set up camp there, despite foreign leaders urging him not to force a confrontation with the government



Malaysia: Caning for model who drank beer sparks furor



SMART wins three Tambuli awards



Global protests slam rights abuses in Iran



Last UK veteran of WWI trench battles dies at 111


PATCH AT 111



China economy growing again while US limps

UK queen told 'denial' sparked global downturn

WorldBriefs

High turnout, fraud claims in Iraqi Kurds' elections

Overseas jobs dry up for Bangladeshis

IGLESIA NI CRISTO: PAGGALANG AT PAGHANGA



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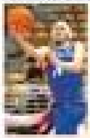
We are filled with respect and admiration for the Iglesia ni Cristo under Executive Minister Eraño G. Manalo and Deputy Executive Minister Eduardo V. Manalo.

INC is an indigenous Philippine religious institution that began with the moral courage and invincible faith of one man, Felix Y. Manalo. It is proliferating by the sheer moral force of its message that God is the Supreme Reality. Thus, it has won steadfast adherence not only throughout our country, but also throughout the world.

This is truly awesome. What started as one great man's faith has turned into a global phenomenon.

We extend our wholehearted love to all our brothers and sisters, the *kapatid* of the INC. As Filipinos, we are immensely proud of both Ka Erdy and Ka Eduardo as two of the esteemed spiritual leaders of the world today. We join hands with INC in our common journey toward God, who is eternal love.

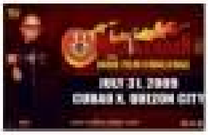

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Lowly Maroons topple Eagles



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Iran is Great Wall for RP

Jones Cup rout highlights Pinoys' hard grind in China tilt



Lowly UP Maroons trip Eagles

Stags seek 6th win vs Danes today

Pascua books 5th final stint



SPORTSWATCH

Barrios, Guiao head PSA Forum guests

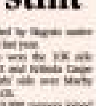
San Juan 'Rambulan' 5-cocker under way

Makati WTJ derby comes off the wraps

The long and winding road back

ONE GAME AT A TIME

Sev Sarmenta



Heart malady threat to Hatton fight career

By Dennis Principe, Contributor



AT RISK Ricky Hatton absorbs punishment from Manny Pacquiao during their May fight.

Laylo, So 1-2 after 5 rounds

HO CHI MINH CITY, VIETNAM—FILIPINO Grandmasters Darwin Laylo and Wesley So ...

Twin kill for Europe-bound Stefano

By George Gilvero, Contributor



STEFANO Marcelo salutes his double victory by waving the checkered flag.

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All over but the shouting

Contador virtual Tour champ; Armstrong 3rd



ANDY Schleck (left) tows Tour de France overall leader Alberto Contador (middle) and Lance Armstrong to the finish line.

Norman takes lead in 'British' seniors tilt



NORMAN

Jakarta golf: Murakami finishes tied for fifth

Massa stable after deadly crash



WORKERS haul back the broken parts of the car of Ferrari's Felipe Massa to the pits after the Brazilian driver's accident in the Hungarian Grand Prix.

SMC, Cats give backing to Highlands Ladies Cup

PSC junks 'have money, will travel' policy

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Gov't, SMC in talks over stock conversion

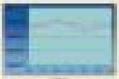
Authorities hope to cash in on promise of higher yield

THE GOVERNMENT IS CONsidering the conversion of the 24-percent sequestered block of San Miguel stocks from common to preferred shares, hoping to cash in on the promise of higher yield.

Bad debts of thrift banks went up in Q1

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Profit-taking seen ahead



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Rebuilding lives

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BDO bags 4 awards

Service provider of the year

SLAMC's little push for long-term



Ford sales up sharply in H1 despite crisis

Gov't ...

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Profit-taking ...

Philippine Stock Exchange



Gov't 'exit' plan seen to boost investor confidence

By Michelle V. Remo

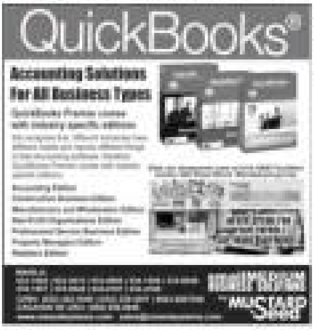
Reversal of monetary easing actions

Nido plans for SC 58 OKd

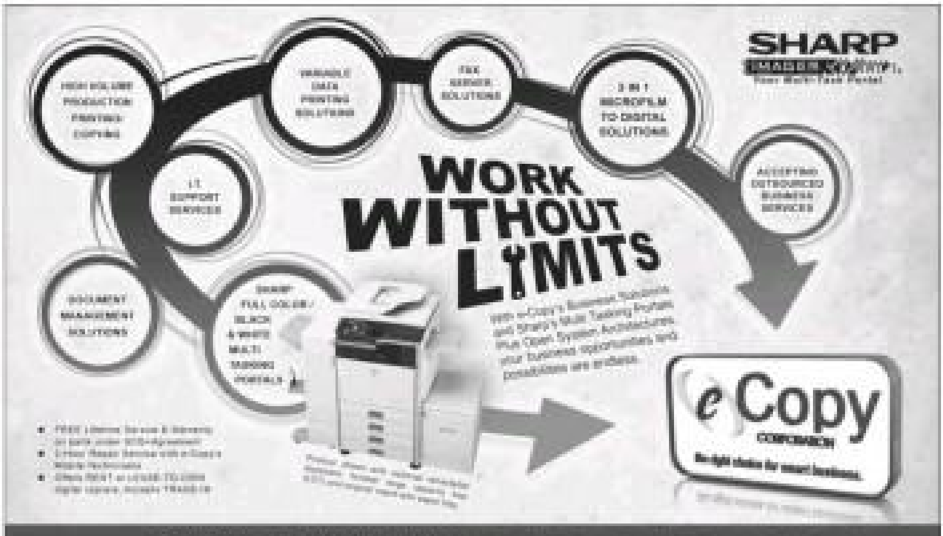
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Ministop to roll out new stores







Domestic bonds seen becoming more costly

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LG goes for market lead with new Scarlet LCD TV

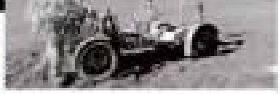
WHEN ONE WALKS up to the new LG Scarlet LCD television unit from its side, the first thing one will notice is this... well... it's difficult to notice, because the unit is so sleek and slim.

A professional's compact digicam

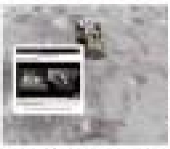


RICOH GX200: There's so much to discover inside this small package.

Experience the Moon in Google Earth



GOOGLE Earth's new feature allows you to retrace the steps of the Apollo astronauts.



BDO targets 1M card holders

By Doris C. Dumlao

BANCO DE ORO UNIBANK, THE country's largest bank, hopes to have one million credit card clients by the end of the year.

CPMH unit to soon ship out nickel ore

Security of key facilities tightened

Ad campaign for RP knowledge ...

Business

Ad campaign for RP knowledge workers set

By Abigail L. Ho

AN INTERNATIONAL ADVERTISING CAMpaign to "sell" Filipino knowledge workers overseas will soon hit the airwaves.

Gillian Joyce Virata, director for information and research of the Business Processing Association of the Philippines, said the campaign was in the preproduction stage.

ADVERTISING B-?

BUSINESS Monday

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Internet drives growth



Use of technology leads to rise in GDP, says World Bank

THE INTERNET AND MOBILE phones have definitely made life much easier.

But technology is not only good for improving people's lifestyles.

The Internet and mobile phones also contribute significantly to economic growth of the Philippines and many other countries all over the world.

According to a report by the World Bank, Internet users in developing countries increased sixfold from 2000 to 2007.

Currently, there were 1 billion mobile phone subscribers in developing countries alone, Mohsen Khalil, World Bank group director for global information and communication technologies, said in the report.

Direct impact

The World Bank estimates that, for every 10-percent increase in the number of high-speed Internet connections, the economy is expected to grow by 1.3 percentage points.

This means that, without the contribution of IT and IT-related services sectors, the effects of the crisis on the Philippine economy would have been worse.

In the first quarter, the local economy grew by 0.4 percent—the slowest in 10 years.

Still, without the boost from the services sector, which includes the so-called sunshine industry of business process outsourcing (BPO) and other IT-enabled services, the economy would have contracted.

Wider base

The World Bank also said the Internet and mobile phones had given businesses a much wider customer base, translating into higher profits.

The Philippines, tagged as the "texting" capital of the world, is one of the top investment sites for firms engaged in IT (information technology) and IT-enabled services. Revenue generated by IT firms reached $6 billion last year, a substantial leap from the $100 million seen in 2001, World Bank said.

More jobs are also being created by the two sectors. As of mid-2008, the report added, the two industries employed 345,000 people in the Philippines, up by more than three times from 100,000 in 2004.

Citing a study by the Business Processing Association of the Philippines (BPAP), World Bank said IT and IT-enabled service companies in the country would see an increase in their annual revenue to $13 billion by 2010.

"High-speed Internet and mobile phones are key to economic growth and job creation in developing countries ... These technologies offer tremendous opportunities," World Bank said in the report.

Heavy promotion

The World Bank has thus urged governments, especially in developing countries, to further promote these sectors.

"Governments should proactively encourage the development of local IT services industries through policies and incentives directed at entrepreneurs and the private sector, and through investments in skills and infrastructure," World Bank economist Christine Zhen-Wei Qiang, editor of the report, said in the statement.

One way of helping boost the industries is for governments themselves to spur demand for IT products.

World Bank likewise said that governments of developing countries should also adopt more technology to improve the delivery of public services.

Governments that have more sophisticated technology are more efficient in service delivery and more transparent in their operations, the lender said.

Even if the world is in a crisis, people's use of the Internet and mobile phones will hardly decline as both have become part of people's lifestyle.

The World Bank said IT and IT-enabled services are "the tide that lifts the boats."







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ENCOURAGED by the Centex experience, HP now wants to bring the My Backyard program to other countries where it is present.



GK takes a step closer to ending hunger in RP

RP resilient ...

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RP resilient, say top CEOs

Philippines poised for growth



JAIME ZOBEL DE AYALA II

IT MAY SOUND LIKE GLOOM and doom on the street level, but a significant number of the Philippines' movers and shakers—who presumably have a better perch from which they see the world—remain surprisingly upbeat regarding the country's economic performance.

Rising confidence

Important lessons

Positive attributes

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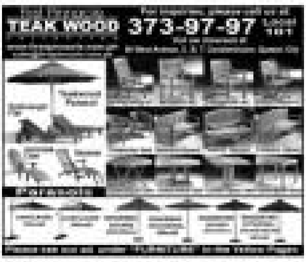


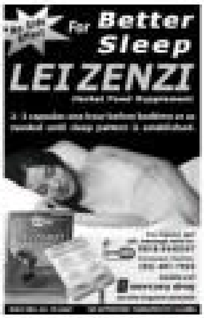
Socially engaged theater–minus the speeches

The best offerings of this year's Virgin Labfest talked politics without seeming to

By Gibbs Cadiz

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Socially engaged theater...



LAYETA Bucoy's "Doc Resureccion, Gagamutin ang Bayan," directed by Tuxqs Rutaquio

Panoramic view

Sympathetic ear


BENDOL, Bucoy and Gigi Escalante in Reuel Molina Aguila's "Mollo," directed by Edna Vida Froilan

Thought-provoking

Ineffectual

Grave lament

Good rule


SHEILFA Alojamiento's "Boy-Girl ang Gelpren ni Mommy," directed by Carlo Pacolor Garcia


LIZA Magtoto's "Paigan," directed by Sigrid Bernardo

Top Labfest performances

ACTRESSES

ACTORS

ENSEMBLES

UP Playwrights' Theater presents Anton Juan's 'Dead Stars' and 'Sepang Loca'

Cebu features late-night multi-museum-going



HISTORY goes up for tickets at Casa Gorordo Museum during Heritage Night.

Six museums band together for a night of Cebu heritage

PRIDE OF PLACE



Augusto F. Villalon

GABII SA KABILIN (NIGHT of Heritage), the only museum and cultural event of its kind in the Philippines and Asia, ...

'Tartanilla' ride

Nature preserve



A RIDE on an old horse-drawn tartanilla is a new experience for many.

On the trail of hot 'Clues'

By Ruel S. De Vera

The third and fourth books in the series offers breakneck pace and problem-solving high jinks

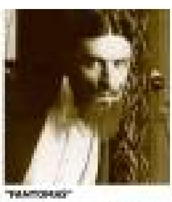


Brisk narrative

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International silent film festival with live music at the Shang



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No Shortcuts in Art, Sanso Tells Students





LIFESTYLE Arts&Books



Finally, 'Ola' gets well-deserved retrospective

Modernist master Romulo Olazo reclaims his pride of place

By Constantino C. Tejero


"DIAPHANOUS" B-CXLII, oil on canvas, 2009

ONE OF THE MOST IMPORtant figures among second-generation Filipino modernists, painter-printmaker Romulo Olazo just celebrated his 75th birthday on Tuesday.

Olazo is a pioneer in form and technique. Known for his "Diaphanous" and "Permutation" series, he is one of our few artists who have created forms that are peculiarly their own.


PREEMINENT artist

"Diaphanous," like Arturo Rogerio's "Mindscapes" and Prudencio Lamarroza's "Ambiotopes," is virtually patented. Anything else that resembles it is either imitation or fake.

A lifetime's work of this preeminent artist can be richly appreciated in "Romulo Olazo: A 40-Year Retrospective," presented by Ayala Museum in collaboration with Secret and Pinto Gallery. The exhibition opens today and runs until Sept. 13 at G/F Ayala Museum, Makati Ave. cor. De la Rosa St., Makati City.

The show comprises 113 paintings, prints and what the artist calls "paperwork," in mediums ranging from oil and acrylic on canvas and board, to Chinese ink, oil pastel and watercolor on paper, to plain dyed paper pulp. These have been culled from around 10,000 catalogued artworks.

The earliest pieces are from 1969, as that was "when he went public for the first time," says wife Patricia. The most recent are five giant "Diaphanous" pieces in oil on canvas mostly in his signature monochrome.

Pioneering work

Younger art-lovers who grew up with Olazo's now-iconic abstractions might be all bowled over on finding pieces from his figuration period, such as the impressionistic "Sea" and "Landscape (Tree)"; the nude painting "Lady with Rose"; the realist collage intaglio "Linaw"; the expressionist Father and Son portrait "Bloodied," with a boy with a plumbed piggyback on a man's shoulders.

Standing out is "Montes," a collagraph depicting the 1971 Plaza Miranda bombing. The artist reveals the accidental overlapping of the images in this print montage was the precursor of "Diaphanous" (which then can be labeled "accidental art").

Surprisingly, there are highly textured paintings from ranging oil relief "Globoscape," "Stuffed Structure," "Amorphous." These were done in 1968, some three decades before painting with textural elements became a trend in the local art world. That makes Olazo a pioneer of the technique.

There is a wealth of prints, of course, ranging from woodcut on rice paper, to linocut, monotype, etching, serigraph, collagraph—as well as a wide experimentation in paper craft, from paper casting to handmade paper.

The artist says the paperwork is particularly hard work, tedious and laborious. One can only marvel at such a piece as "Tapestry," dyed pressed paper pulp approximating the look of tapestry.

Mostly though, the viewer is lavished with those celebrated "Diaphanous" and "Permutation" forms, both in painting and print, chiefly in cool harmonies, earth tones and achromatics, with the occasional warm hues.

First ambition

Olazo took up Fine Arts at University of Santo Tomas, mentored by Diosdado Lorenzo and Victorio Edades. Ang Kiukok was a classmate.

His mother wanted him to take up Commerce, or anyone's "useful" course, but he never wanted to become something else other than an artist.

His earliest memory of art-making was of drawing waterfalls.

"I don't know why I was fascinated with

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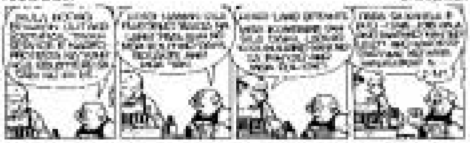
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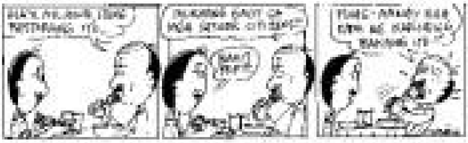


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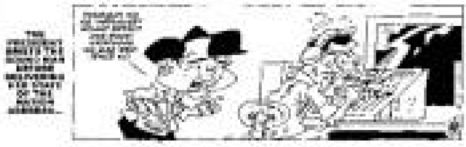
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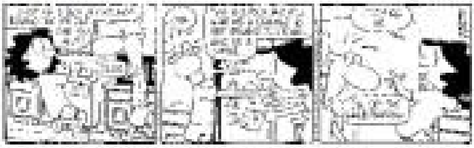


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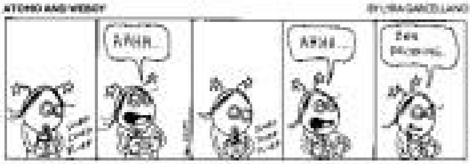


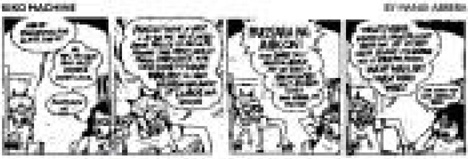
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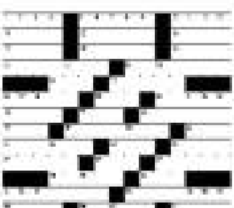


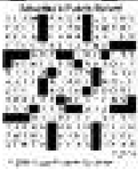




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Finally, 'Ola' gets well-deserved retrospective





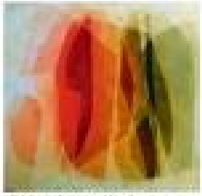




He was so engrossed with form and technique he never quite bothered with message









Proverbial phases

Final aspiration





Tender portrait

Visual Arts

Group exhibit at BlueWings

Navarro photo lectures



Lawyer-artists at Heart Center



Kaida's new home



Anading, Cruz at Ateneo



"BONSAI, Malang and Me," by Addie Cokingyan

4 solos on a bright and beautiful world

By Gil Reyes
Contributor

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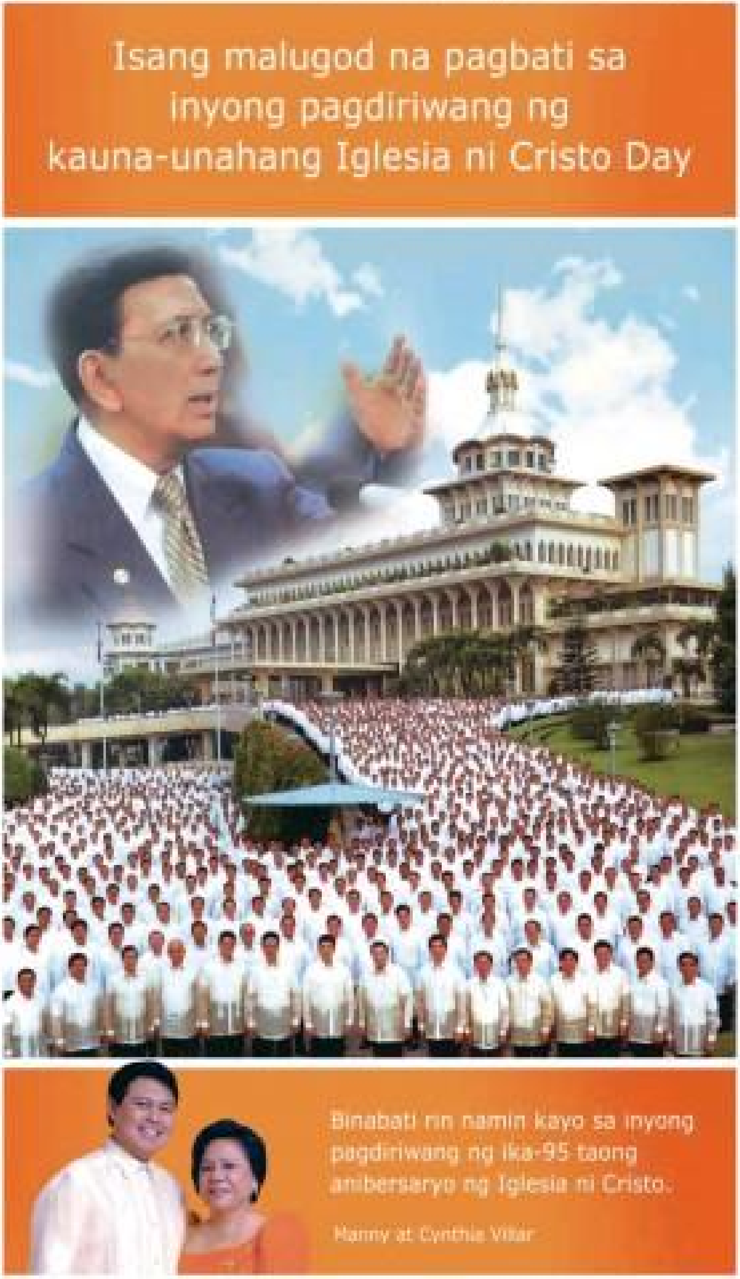
"BATANG Lobo," by Azor Pascagala



"CHINESE Magnolias," by Cokingyan

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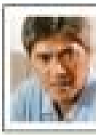


Poetry on CD launched tonight at Mag:net

"TIGRE SA ZOO," A POETRY RECORDING [illegible]

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'Astig' tops Cinemalaya box office

Filmmaker calls viewers' choice 'vanilla ice cream syndrome'

By Marinel R. Cruz

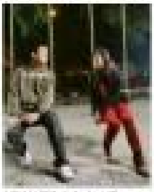
"ASTIG," A MOVIE featuring a dozen mainstream actors and bankrolled by an equally popular producer, tops the box-office receipts in this year's Cinemalaya Philippine Independent Film Festival, according to unofficial results released on Friday by the Cultural Center of the Philippines sales and accounts division.

GB Sampedro's "Astig," a tale of tough guys resolved to survive the squalor and cruelty of life in Manila, sold the most number of tickets at [illegible] amounting to [illegible], according to the sales report sent to Inquirer Entertainment by [illegible], officer in charge of CCP sales and accounts division. The report is based on ticket sales from the time the festival opened on July 17 to July 23, [illegible] said.



DENNIS Trillo in "Astig"

The movie, with popular actor Dennis Trillo playing the lead, also features Glaiza de Castro, Sid Lucero, Edgar Allan Guzman and Arnold Reyes. It also has cameo performances by Ai-Ai de las Alas, [illegible] and Boy Abunda, who happens to be one of the film's executive producers.



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Popular actors

"It's possible that viewers became interested in 'Astig' because they want to see those popular actors. But a box-office hit is not necessarily the best movie in the competition," said Jim Libiran, director of "Tribu," 2007 Cinemalaya Best Picture. The top-selling movie in 2007 was Ko-

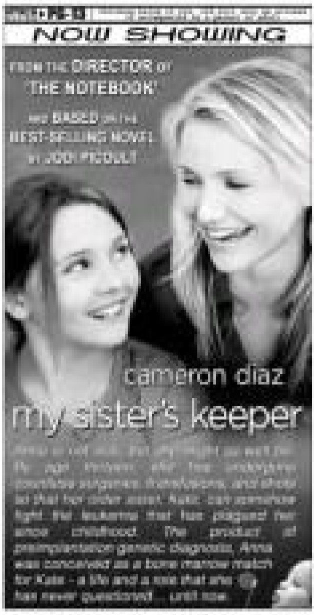
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'Astig' tops Cinemalaya box office

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Baron Geisler's "Fuori," Libiran added.

Libiran, who also appears briefly in this year's full-length entry "Engkwentro," said what happened to "Astig" is an example of what he calls the "vanilla ice cream syndrome."

"We know how vanilla ice cream tastes like. We buy it to play safe. We don't want to experiment on other flavors," Libiran explained. "I hope the audience would be open to watching the other entries."

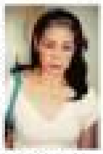
Close second

A close second is Mike Sandejas' "Dinig Sana Kita," featuring his daughter Zoe and deaf performer Romalito Mallari. Pop-rock band Sugarfree also makes a special guest appearance.

The movie, about a deaf boy who loves to dance and a troubled rocker girl who abuses her hearing, sold a total of 2,050 tickets, amounting to P125,488, said Moreno.

Placing third is Ato Bautista's "Ang Panggagahasa Kay Fe (The Rapture of Fe)," which sold 1,430 tickets at P77,060. The film, with award-winning actress Irma Adlawan playing the lead role, is co-produced by the Women's Crisis Center.

"Jessica Toledo" and Ricky Lee's "Last Supper No. 3," the only comedy film in competition, is on fourth place. It earned P70,390 for 1,193 tickets sold for the first six days of the festival.



Irma Adlawan in "Mangatyanan"

The movie, a humorous take on the circuitous path that our country's legal system takes to justice, also features a cameo performance by award-winning actress Marivel Soriano.

On fifth place is Milo Sogueco's "Sanglaan," a story on hope and redemption for people working in a pawnshop. It sold 995 tickets and earned P56,878. The movie stars Tessie Tomas, Ina Feleo and Jason Abalos.

Jerrold Tarog's "Mangatyanan," the story of a woman forced to confront her demons, is on sixth place. It earned P53,540 for the 863 tickets sold. It features Adlawan, Pen Medina, Che Ramos and Neil Ryan Sese.

Pepe Diokno's youth-oriented movie "Engkwentro," featuring Felix Roco as lead actor, is on seventh place, with 819 tickets, amounting to P48,518.

"Colorum," by Jobin Ballesteros, is on the eighth slot with 716 tickets sold at P41,880. The movie that takes a look at the paradox of the human condition features Alfred Vargas and Lou Veloso.

Ranking ninth is Vic Acedillo Jr.'s "Bo Candi," about a 12-year-old boy who takes care of his older siblings while his mother goes to the province to look for money to pay the hospital bills of her three mentally sick children. The movie, with Jordan Jose in the lead role, sold 614 tickets at P36,832.

On the bottom slot is Ana Agabin's "24K."

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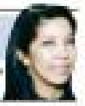
Is Vic Sotto moving to another network?

'I don't burn any bridges so I can go either way'



DOLLY WOOD

Dolly Anne Carvajal



Just friends?

Fashionista Sarah



VIC SOTTO with grandson Mc





NO. 2 BEST-SELLING Cinemalaya film "Ang Panggagahasa Kay Fe" starring Irma Adlawan and Mercedes Cabral; No. 4, far right, "Last Supper No. 3" featuring Mailes Canlapan, Joey Paras and Marvin Lora



'Astig' tops . . .



Short films

Non-competing

'Kid's Treats'





Watch out for the logo below.
Designed for the 2009 Teachers Month Campaign, it is meant to celebrate teachers and their invaluable role in guiding young and old alike through the lifelong process of learning. You will be seeing more of this logo in the days leading up to World Teachers' Day on Oct. 5.

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My Teacher, My Hero

Who will be 2009 Metrobank 10 outstanding teachers?

By Jerry E. Esplanada

FOR METROBANK Foundation Inc. president Aniceto Sobrepeña, "outstanding teachers are like the Biblical treasure hidden in the fields."

Soon the 10 winners in the country's most prestigious award for teachers, the 2009 Search for Outstanding Teachers of the Philippines, will be announced. And their formal awarding on Sept. 3 will be the highlight of the 47th anniversary celebration of Metrobank.

There will be four winners each in the primary and secondary levels and two in the tertiary level. Each winner will get P300,000 cash, part of which will go to faculty development of his/her school, plus a medal and a trophy.

A total of 173 teachers joined the 25th edition of the search that gives "special recognition to teachers who manifest profound commitment to the development of the youth through exemplary competence, remarkable dedication to their work, and an effective educational leadership."

The finalists were interviewed last week by the final board of judges co-chaired by Supreme Court Associate Justice Teresita Leonardo-de Castro and Mandaluyong City Rep. Fatima [illegible].

Members of the board of judges included Ricardo Saludo, chair of the Civil Service Commission; [illegible]; Dr. Ma. Cristina Padolina, president of Centro Escolar University and former higher education commissioner; Cecilia Lazaro, president of [illegible] Productions Inc.; and Dr. [illegible], chief executive officer and president of [illegible] Corp.

List of finalists

The finalists among elementary teachers are: [illegible], [illegible] Elementary School, Cavite; [illegible], [illegible] Elementary School, North Cotabato; [illegible], [illegible] Central Elementary School, [illegible]; [illegible], [illegible] Elementary School, Calbayog City; [illegible], [illegible] Memorial School-South, Roxas City; [illegible], San Sebastian Elementary School, Tarlac City; [illegible], [illegible] Elementary School, Olongapo City; and [illegible], West Visayas State University Integrated Laboratory School, Iloilo City.

The high school teachers-finalists include [illegible], [illegible] National High School, Tuguegarao City; [illegible], Mariano Marcos State University Laboratory High School, Laoag City; [illegible], Philippine Science High School-Southern Mindanao, Davao City; [illegible], Philippine Science High School-Western Visayas, Iloilo City; [illegible], [illegible] National High School, [illegible]; [illegible], [illegible] National High School, Davao City; [illegible], [illegible] High School, North Cotabato; and [illegible], [illegible] City [illegible] High School, [illegible] City.

From higher education: [illegible], University of the Philippines-Diliman, Quezon City; [illegible], Ateneo de Manila University, Quezon City; [illegible], De la Salle University, Manila; and [illegible], University of San Carlos, Cebu City.

Each finalist was asked a set of questions, such as: What makes you proud to be a Filipino? What do you think should be the main education agenda of the next President of the Philippines? Why have you not left your job for greener pastures? Why should a teacher spend time on community development?

Before the panel interviews, the finalists were asked to write a short essay on why they deserve to win the Metrobank Foundation award as one of the country's most outstanding teachers.

English teacher [illegible] writes: "I don't proclaim to be the best teacher in the land. But with my passion for excellence and

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Report card from Taiwan

First batch of RP scholars graduates, thanks to Meco and Kainan University

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AT THE GRADuation party for the international students of Kainan University in June, the Filipinos dominated the scene.

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RAY ANNE Punzalan (second from left) with fellow international students on graduation day at Kainan University in Taoyuan, Taiwan

Rare opportunity

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Lessons learned

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10 ways to make learning science fun for kids



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One teacher's mission

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